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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF HEARINGS WASHINGTON, D.C.

IN THE MATTER OF

AIR SEA CONTAINERS, INC., Respondent.

DOCKET NO. PHMSA-2008-0350

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S ORDER SHORTENING TIME TO ANSWER MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER

The Respondent on April 30, 2009 filed a motion for a protective order, attaching thereto all of the discovery requests that had been served by the Office of Chief Counsel.

Because of the time limit on discovery, it is appropriate to resolve issues arising out of discovery requests as promptly as possible. Therefore, pursuant to § 107.321(b)(9) of the Hazardous Materials Program Procedures, 49 C.F.R. § 107.321(b)(9), I am shortening the time for the Chief Counsel's Office to submit its answer to the motion.

The deadline for filing an answer to the pending motion for a protective order is May 15, 2009.

In the future, a motion for a protective order or a motion to compel production should have attached to it or incorporated within it <u>only</u> those

discovery requests that are at issue and, if appropriate, the recipient's objection(s) thereto.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Isaac D. Benkin

Administrative Law Judge

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